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In accordance with Applicant's duty under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant would like to draw the Examiner's attention to Applicant's copending patent application No. 10/071,420 for "Method and Apparatus for Removing Coatings Applied to Surfaces of a Substrate", filed February 8, 2002, assigned to Examiner Dung V. Nguyen of Group Art Unit 3723. The present application and application No. 10/071,420 both claim priority to provisional patent application Nos. 60/267,923, filed February 8, 2001, 60/267,507 filed February 8, 2001 and 60/274,363 filed March 8, 2001. All of the prior art of which Applicant is aware for both of these applications have been compiled and made of record fully in both cases.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

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